

**REMARKS**

The foregoing amendments are effected to more particularly point out and distinctly define the subject matter of this invention.

**I. CLAIM STATUS & AMENDMENTS**

Claim 1-9 have been restricted.

Claims 1-7 have been amended into method claims. Support can be found in the disclosure, for example, at page 5, lines 1-4, page 17, line 16 to page 18, line 12 and original claims 1-7.

This amendment changes the subject matter of claims 1-7 (i.e., Group I) from an agent to a method of treating by administering said agent. In particular, amended claims 1-7 are directed to a method for treating chondroma and chondrosarcoma, which comprises administering to a subject in need thereof, a substance which inhibits binding of parathyroid hormone related peptide to a receptor thereof. The claims were so amended, because the original claims were drafted in accordance with Japanese practice, which allows a medicament for a second pharmaceutical use. The amended claims accurately reflect the disclosed method of treatment in accordance with US practice.

**II. RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION**

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 1, 2007, Applicants hereby elect the invention identified as Group I, as it applies to amended claims 1-7. Since examination on the merits has not begun, it is respectfully requested that the method of amended claims 1-7 be examined on the merits as the elected invention of Group I.

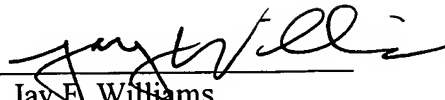
In the event that the Office will not permit amended claims 1-7 to be used as the elected invention of Group I, kindly give Applicants a chance to make an additional election.

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Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

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